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As the below named inventor(s), I/we declare that:

This declaration is directed to:

- ☐ The attached application, or
- ☒ Application No. 09/922,048, filed on AUGUST 3, 2001,
- ☐ as amended on \_\_\_\_\_ (if applicable);

I/we believe that I/we am/are the original and first inventor(s) of the subject matter which is claimed and for which a patent is sought;

I/ we have reviewed and understand the contents of the above-identified application, including the claims, as amended by any amendment specifically referred to above;

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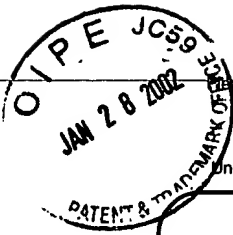
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| Filing Date            | AUGUST 3, 2001   |
| First Named Inventor   | JAMES MARSHALL OATHOUT, ET AL.   |
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| Examiner Name          |  |
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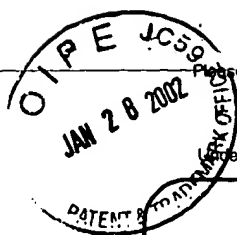
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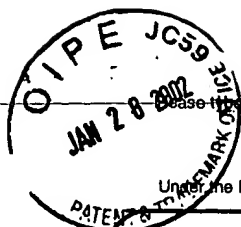
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